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1. (Unclassified - JGO) Delivered a response to the letter of 15 May from Representative Charles B. Rangel (D., N. Y.) to his office.

2. (Internal Use Only - JGO) Met with Mrs. Gerry Myers, Employee Benefits Subcommittee staff, House Post Office and Civil Service Committee, who told me that H. R. 11150, a bill for the protection of rights of Federal employees, is scheduled for consideration by the full Committee tomorrow, 1 June. Since the full Committee has had trouble making a quorum, it is not known yet what the attendance will be for tomorrow's meeting.

3. (Confidential - JGO) Talked to Mr. Ralph Preston, House Appropriations Committee staff, and made final arrangements with him for tomorrow's briefing of the Special Group on the community and Agency budgets. The offices of Messrs. Tweedy, D/DCI/IC, and Briggs, OPPB, have been advised.

4. (Secret - GLC) In response to Mr. Goldsmith's call yesterday, I met with both Goldsmith and Braswell, of the Senate Armed Services Committee staff, and provided them with information on our expenditures in Laos. [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] I left with Braswell a breakdown prepared by [REDACTED] FE/TBL, on our Laos budget comparing FY 1973 with FY 1972. I queried these men again about the possible trade-off of excluding a ceiling on Laos expenditures this year in exchange for a reduction in expenditures for free world forces [REDACTED] They said they were not aware of any agreement having been reached on this.

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I talked further with Braswell about the possibility of Senator Stennis having General Vang Pao in his personal office to meet with a small group of Senators (I mentioned Senators Margaret Chase Smith, Ellender, Milton Young, possibly Goldwater and Symington) for coffee or cocktails on the afternoon of Thursday, 8 June. Braswell seemed to like the idea of an informal session in the Chairman's office and said he would take this up with Senator Stennis and let us know the Senator's wishes.

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6. (Unclassified - GLC) Called Homer Krout, in the office of Representative Joel Broyhill (R., Va.), and told him there was a possibility we might be able to reemploy [redacted] about whom the Congressman had written us and with his indulgence said we would delay our response to their letter a few days in the hope this would be the case. Krout said he would note their file to this effect.

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7. (Unclassified - GLC) Contacted Goldie Pence, in the office of Senator John Stennis, and asked if she would use their good offices in trying to arrange for a White House tour for two [redacted] wives on 9 June or 8 June along with two female escorts. Miss Pence said she would see what she could do and let me know.

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8. (Confidential - JMM) During a couple of phone conversations regarding tomorrow's briefing of the House Appropriations Intelligence Special Group, Ralph Preston confirmed that the briefings would be held in H-140 of the Capitol with the morning session running from about 10:00 to 12:00 devoted to community budget and the afternoon session devoted to the Agency budget.

Preston said he knew of no specific questions the Director would get, but we should know in general the Chairman is pondering the problem of how he can get "his arms around" the budget problems of the intelligence community as a whole.



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